

Dorchester County Career and Technology Center

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Grades 10–12 Career Center

Enrollment 832 Students

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The State of South Carolina

Annual School
Report Card

2005

ABSOLUTE RATING

EXCELLENT

Absolute Ratings of Career Centers

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	Unsatisfactory
24	10	3	0	1

IMPROVEMENT RATING

EXCELLENT

ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS

YES

Definition: As required by the United States Department of Education, Adequate Yearly Progress specifies that the state rating for career and technology centers must be Excellent, Good, Above Average, Average or Below Average.

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

PERFORMANCE TRENDS OVER 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
2002	Excellent	Good	N/A
2003	Excellent	Good	Yes
2004	Excellent	Excellent	Yes
2005	Excellent	Excellent	Yes

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- **Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- **Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- **Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- **Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- **Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

	Mastering Core Competencies			Receiving Diplomas			Place in Field		
	This Center		State Center Average%	This Center		State Center Average%	This Center		State Center Average%
	n	%		n	%		n	%	
All Students	527	78.4%	81.1%	195	92.8%	92.4%	337	98.5%	97.6%
Students with disabilities on diploma track	47	70.2%	73.2%	20	80.0%	75.6%	27	93.1%	98.5%
Gender									
Male	327	74.3%	77.7%	112	90.2%	90.9%	187	99.5%	98.6%
Female	200	85.0%	85.2%	83	96.4%	93.3%	145	97.3%	96.5%
Racial/Ethnic Group									
White	292	84.6%	89.0%	107	95.3%	95.4%	205	99.0%	98.5%
African American	214	72.0%	73.6%	80	88.8%	86.8%	120	97.6%	96.1%
Asian/Pacific Islander	6	66.7%	89.1%	2	I/S	85.1%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Hispanic	4	I/S	81.7%	1	I/S	91.3%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
American Indian/Alaskan	5	60.0%	76.3%	3	I/S	81.3%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Migrant Status									
Migrant									
Non-migrant									
English Proficiency									
Limited English Proficient	1	I/S	74.6%	0	N/A	86.1%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Non-Limited English Proficient	526	78.3%	81.2%	195	92.8%	92.4%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Socio-Economic Status									
Subsidized meals	184	72.8%	75.1%	63	90.5%	87.8%	50	96.2%	96.5%
Full-pay meals	343	81.3%	85.9%	132	93.9%	94.6%	282	99.0%	98.0%

n = number of students on which percentage is calculated

DEFINITIONS OF PERFORMANCE RATING TERMS

- **Mastering Core Competencies**—The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at the center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.
- **Graduation Rate**—The percentage of 12th grade career and technology students who graduate in the spring.
- **Placement Rate**—The percentage of career and technology completers available for placement over a 3-year period who are actually placed in postsecondary instruction, military services, or employment.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n= 832)			
With disabilities other than speech	7.9%	Down from 17.8%	1.8%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	12.3%	Down from 70.5%	18.6%
Enrollment in career/technology center courses	832	Up from 512	643
Students participating in worked-based experiences	25.2%	Down from 47.7%	32.2%

Teachers (n= 20)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	10.0%	Down from 10.5%	25.6%
Continuing contract teachers	70.0%	Down from 84.2%	73.5%
Highly qualified teachers	100.0%	No change	66.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	10.5%	Up from 0.0%	15.1%
Teachers returning from previous year	96.1%	Up from 93.8%	88.9%
Teacher attendance rate	96.2%	Up from 93.7%	95.6%
Average teacher salary	\$44,274	Down 0.6%	\$43,493
Prof. development days/teacher	8.2 days	Up from 7.9 days	13.6 days

School			
Director's years at Center	1.0	Up from 0.0	3.0
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$4,787	Down 12.6%	\$3,353
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	47.5%	Up from 36.9%	52.3%
Parents attending conferences	25.7%	Down from 99.0%	83.8%
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes

* Prior year audited financial data are reported.

	Our District	State
Highly qualified teachers in low poverty schools	N/A	89.4%
Highly qualified teachers in high poverty schools	N/A	90.1%

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REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Dorchester County Career and Technology Center, a Palmetto Gold and Silver Awards Program recipient for the third year, serves students from the county's three high schools (Fort Dorchester, Summerville, Woodland), Dorchester Academy, home schools, Givhans Alternative, and Odyssey Alternative. During 2004-05, 864 students attended 16 programs in Architecture and Construction; Business Management and Transportation; and Distribution and Logistics clusters. Twenty skilled instructors facilitate our programs. We have a projected enrollment of at least 958 students for 2005-06.

During the 2004-05 school year, we had 204 completers for the first term and 138 completers for the second term; 5 Cosmetology and 3 Nail Tech students were licensed by South Carolina; a Nail Tech Student was third place winner at the state level; 26 of our students were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society; an Auto Collision student received the Golden Gun Award and was first place winner at the state level; 3 of our instructors were honored - Who's Who Among America's Teachers; 3 Welding students placed third at Quests competitions at Trident Technical College; an Electricity student placed first in the district; 27 Culinary Arts students competed at the local county fair resulting in 2 best shows; 10 first place winners; 9 second place winners; 3 third place winners; and 5 honorable mentions. We also received the Mayor's trophy for our participation in one of the local Christmas parades.

Dorchester County Career and Technology Center has been accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS, STUDENTS, AND PARENTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	15	133	21
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93.3%	87.8%	81.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	89.1%	90.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	86.7%	83.1%	52.4%

*Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.